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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Masayuki SAKATA
METHOD AND NETWORK FOR TOLERATING A FAULT ON HUBS AND LINES
Assignee: **NEC CORPORATION**
Our Ref. Q64862

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 12 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 3 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. The Assignment will be filed at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>12</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u> </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u> </u>
Independent claims	<u>2</u>	-	<u>3</u>	=	<u> </u>	x	\$80.00	=	<u> </u>
Base Fee									\$710.00
TOTAL FEE									\$710.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$710.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from June 7, 2000 based on Japanese Application No. 169930/2000. The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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